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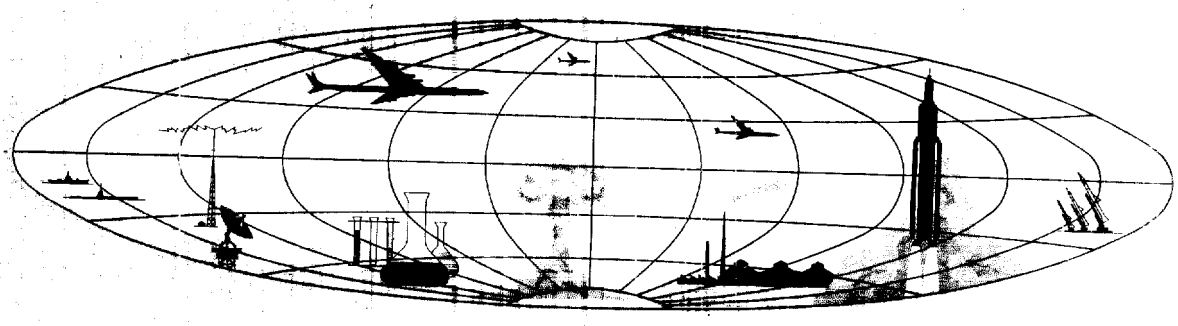

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3308, DATED 15 DECEMBER 1962. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

25X1A

-MISSILES-

BELLAMAR (MATANZAS AREA) SUSP SSM ACTIVITY 2302N 08133W

NO UNUSUAL MILITARY ACTIVITY. CLOUD COVER PRECLUDES COMPLETE OBSERVATION.

25X1D [redacted]

MATANZAS CITY, LA CUMBRE ALTA 2304N 08133W

NO UNUSUAL MILITARY ACTIVITY. CLOUD COVER AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE COMPLETE OBSERVATION.

25X1D [redacted]

SIGUANEA SAM SITE 2137N 08257W

FOUR CANVAS-COVERED, REVETTED LAUNCH POSITIONS, ONE CANVAS-COVERED, PARTIALLY REVETTED LAUNCH POSITION, ONE CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE LAUNCHER, AND 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 6 OF WHICH ARE CANVAS COVERED. PERSONNEL AREA SSE OF SAM SITE CONTAINS 5 PERMANENT-TYPE BUILDINGS, 8 LARGE AND 7 SMALL TENTS. MOTOR POOL AREA CONTAINS 3 LARGE SHEDS AND APPROXIMATELY 10 SMALL VEHICLES. MISSILE SUPPORT AREA NNW OF SAM SITE CONTAINS 10 LARGE PERMANENT-TYPE BUILDINGS.

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LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W [redacted]

(FORMERLY REPORTED AS A POSSIBLE SAM ASSEMBLY AREA.)
VEHICLE PARKING AREA CONTAINS 450 CARGO TRUCKS, 30 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 10 LOWBOY TRAILERS, AND 9 TENTS. NO CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES.
POSSIBLE TANK PARK CONTAINS 64 POSSIBLE TANKS, 10 TRUCKS, AND 11 TENTS.
TANK CONVOY STOPPED ON ROUTE 2-19 CONSISTS OF 3 UNITS OF 34 TANKS EACH (TOTAL OF 102), IN FORMATION HEADING TOWARD HAVANA.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

SIGUANEA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2137N 08258W [redacted]

TWO CANVAS-COVERED, REVETTED LAUNCHERS OBSERVED.
ONE PROBABLE PF NOTED IN BASIN IMMEDIATELY SW OF SITE.
NO VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2309N 08156W [redacted]

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [redacted]

25X1D [redacted]

-AIRFIELDS-

SIGUANEA AIRFIELD 2138N 08257W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.
RUNWAY SERVICEABLE. NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W [redacted]

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 63 INCLUDING 15 FISHBED, 3 FARMER, 14 FAGOT/FRESCO, 2 T-33, 12 B-26, 4 LIAISON, 6 UNIDENTIFIED SINGLE-ENGINE, 3 CAB, 2 COLT AND 2 COACH/CRATE. FIVE DUMMY FAGOT ALSO NOTED.

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RUNWAY SERVICEABLE. THE 7 NEW AIRCRAFT REVETMENTS ON NORTH SIDE OF RUNWAY ARE NEARING COMPLETION. TOKEN EW/GCI SITE ON EAST SIDE OF FIELD CONTAINS 2 LARGE TENTS AND NUMEROUS VANS.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W [redacted]

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 25 INCLUDING ONE CLEAT, 3 CONSTELLATION, 3 COACH/CRATE, 4 CAB, 4 C-46, ONE LODESTAR, ONE C-45, 2 BRITANNIA, 3 C-54, 2 LIAISON AND ONE UNIDENTIFIED TWIN-ENGINE. NUMEROUS DERELICTS ALSO OBSERVED.

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE [redacted]
RUNWAY SERVICEABLE.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W [redacted]

AIRCRAFT -- 19 SINGLE-ENGINE AND NUMEROUS DERELICT.

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE [redacted]

25X1D [redacted]

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE [redacted]
22 TRUCKS AND TRAILERS IN CLEARED AREA NORTH OF RUNWAY. EIGHT LOWBOY TRAILERS, 132 VEHICLES, AND NUMEROUS TROOP FORMATIONS ON RUNWAY.

25X1D [redacted]

-PORTS-

NUEVA GERONA PORT 2153N 08248W

VESSELS -- ONE PROBABLE BARGE, ONE PROBABLE FERRY, ONE PROBABLE LIGHTER AND NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT.
NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

VESSELS -- NO NAVAL OR LARGE MERCHANT VESSELS OBSERVED.
NO APPARENT CHANGE TO PORT FACILITIES SINCE [redacted]

25X1D

25X1D [redacted]

SURGIDERO DE BATABANO NAVAL PORT 2241N 08218W

VESSELS -- NONE OBSERVED.
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D [redacted]

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 4 FREIGHTERS, 2 PASSENGER SHIPS AND ONE TANKER.
NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED IN CLEAR AREAS. SEVENTY PERCENT OF AREA CLOUD COVERED.

25X1D [redacted]

25X1A

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA U/C 2301N 08226W

AREA CONTAINS SEVEN BUNKERS (6 COMPLETE, ONE UNDER CONSTRUCTION), 2 TRUCKS, AND ONE AUTO.

25X1D [redacted]

SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

APPROXIMATELY 130 VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.
THREE UNIDENTIFIED CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLES AND ONE POSSIBLE CRANE ALSO OBSERVED.

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TORRENS, MILITARY CONCENTRATION 2259N 08228W [redacted]

AT REFORMATORY -- NO CHANGE. 500 YARDS SOUTH -- 15 TENTS, 10 PERMANENT BUILDINGS AND AT LEAST 200 VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. 1,000 YARDS SSW -- NO CHANGE. 1,500 YARDS SSW -- NO CHANGE EXCEPT FOR 10 VEHICLES AND 10 PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED AT-S TRACKED PRIME MOVERS. 2 NM SOUTH -- NO CHANGE EXCEPT FOR 3 ADDITIONAL TENTS AND 10 SMALL CARGO TRAILERS. 2,500 YARDS SSE -- AT LEAST 100 VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.
A LARGE CONVOY OF AT LEAST 50 TRUCKS IS LOCATED 2 NM NORTH OF MILITARY AREA. THE TRUCKS ARE 3 ABREAST AND MOVING NORTH. CLOUDS PRECLUDE COMPLETE COUNT.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

MANAGUA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2258N 08217W [redacted]

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [redacted] APPROXIMATELY 200 TRUCKS PARKED IN AREA. EXCELLENT ROADS TO AND WITHIN AREA.

25X1D [redacted]

SPECIAL AREA ALPHA 2258N 08227W

SEE ITEM ON TORRENS MILITARY CONCENTRATION FOR ALL MILITARY ACTIVITY THIS AREA.

25X1D [redacted]

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE 2250N 08233W

NO SIGNIFICANT MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN AREA.

25X1D [redacted]

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED 2254N 08231W

ONLY ACTIVITY IN AREA CONSISTS OF TWO 6-GUN MEDIUM AAA SITES (ONLY ONE OCCUPIED), 3 ASSOCIATED TENTS AND 4 VEHICLES.

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TARARA, LANDING BEACH 2310N 08212W [redacted]

25X1D

NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES SINCE [redacted] IN VISIBLE AREAS.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

MATANZAS, LANDING BEACH 2302N 08126W [redacted]

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [redacted] SCATTERED CLOUDS AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE COMPLETE OBSERVATION.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

PUNTA COLOMBO, LANDING BEACH 2154N 08246W [redacted]

NO BEACH DEFENSES OBSERVED.
NO SSM OR SAM ACTIVITY OBSERVED WITHIN A 25-NM RADIUS.

25X1D [redacted] 25X1A

PLAYA DE FLAMENCOS, LANDING BEACH 2153N 08243W [redacted]

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED ON INCOMPLETE COVERAGE OF 25-NM SEARCH AREA. EXTENSIVE TRENCHING AND UNOCCUPIED GUN POSITIONS NOTED.

25X1D [redacted]

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25X1B

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STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS --

MISSION 3308 DID NOT COVER TARGETS EAST OF 81 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE.

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE LAST COVERAGE -- 25X1A

CAMPO FLORIDA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2306N	08211W
COLONEL MARTIN MARRERRO AIRFIELD	2150N	08247W
MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE	2258N	08218W
BEJUCAL MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES	2256N	08223W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS WEST OF 81 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE WERE NOT COVERED, OR WERE NOT OBSERVED BECAUSE OF ADVERSE WEATHER OR OTHER CONDITIONS -- 25X1A

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 1	2240N	08317W
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3	2242N	08308W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1	2257N	08239W
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4	2246N	08258W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2	2257N	08236W
LA COLOMA SAM SITE	2218N	08332W
MARIEL SAM SITE	2300N	08249W
MATANZAS SAM SITE	2301N	08129W
BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE	2257N	08317W
HAVANA SAM SITE	2309N	08213W
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2257N	08221W
PINAR DEL RIO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2221N	08339W
GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2300N	08250W
CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD	2307N	08117W
MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION	2300N	08246W
PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD	2302N	08235W
PINAR DEL RIO AIRFIELD	2225N	08341W
MARIEL NAVAL PORT	2301N	08245W
LA COLOMA PORT	2214N	08334W
CABANAS PORT	2259N	08256W
BAHIA HONDA PORT	2255N	08311W
PUNTA GERARDO, SECURED PORT FACILITY	2256N	08311W
PINAR DEL RIO, MILITARY CONCENTRATION	2223N	08342W
LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE	2252N	08233W
ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP	2251N	08248W
LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP	2301N	08242W
BAHIA HONDA AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N	08311W
CABANAS AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2256N	08252W

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MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA	2307N 08212W	[redacted]
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08220W	
LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2255N 08124W	
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL	2301N 08246W	
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR	2300N 08235W	
SPECIAL AREA TANGO	2258N 08244W	
SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STORAGE	2303N 08218W	
AGUAS CLARAS, PROB MILITARY EQUIPMENT AREA	2213N 08323W	

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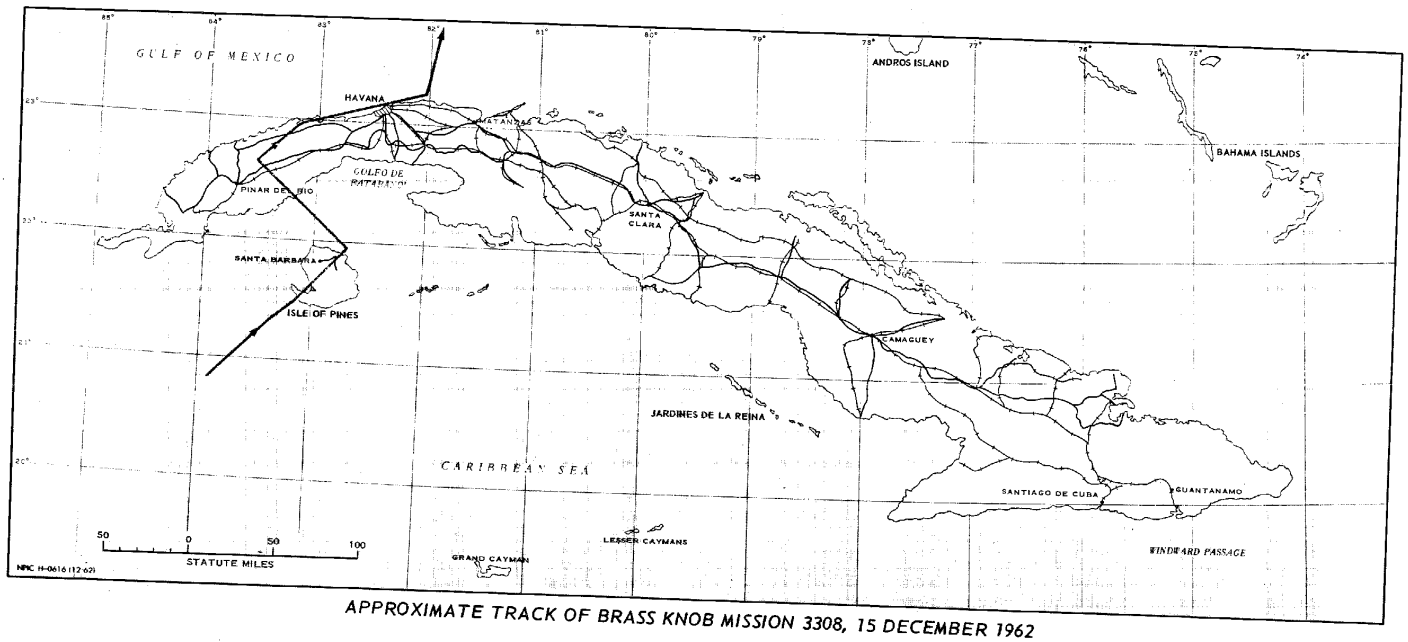

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